

House Resolution 1165

By: Representative Bryant of the 160th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and commending Mr. Joseph Addison; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Joseph Addison came into this world on August 27, 1925 in Hampton County,
3 South Carolina, the sixth of eight children of Mary Jane and Mose Addison; and

4 WHEREAS, he moved to Georgia when he was just four years of age and has been a valued
5 citizen of this state ever since; and

6 WHEREAS, this member and past vice president of the Georgia Independent Auto Dealers
7 Association (GIADA) honed his entrepreneurial skills by trying his hand at running his own
8 cab company and service station before opening up his first automobile dealership in 1969;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, although he experienced many hardships and struggles growing up, he strongly
11 believes that those experiences enable him to enjoy his accomplishments of today, which
12 include owning four dealerships in the Savannah area and having received numerous awards
13 such as the GIADA Statesman Award in 2002, the GIADA Quality Dealer Award in 1994,
14 the GIADA Wheel Club Award in 2004, the NIADA Eagle Award in 2004, and the Ralph
15 Mark Gilbert Civil Rights Museum W.W. Law Award in 2005; and

16 WHEREAS, this gentleman has changed many lives by working to create new jobs and build
17 strong and safe communities; and

18 WHEREAS, this devoted husband, loving father and grandfather, and successful
19 businessman serves as an inspiration for others with his motto, "If I can do it, so can you";
20 and

1 WHEREAS, in all that he is and all that he does, Mr. Addison truly sets a higher bar for the
2 rest of us; therefore it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments
3 of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
5 the members of this body honor and commend Joseph Addison for his significant
6 contributions and service as a business and community leader and as an outstanding citizen
7 for the City of Savannah and the State of Georgia.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Joseph Addison.